

## **The Travelling Gravestone**

Where I live in southern Louisiana there's a town called Lacombe. In Lacombe, there's an old graveyard with a disappearing gravestone. The story goes that there was a man who spent his life killing many of the local Native Americans that first inhabited this area. When this man died, he was buried, ironically, on the same land where the Natives had buried their dead.

Since then, the tombstone of said man has been seen in the middle of the road and in other odd places, and always disappears after a bit. The stories even go as far as to say a cop picked it up, put it in his trunk, and took it to the station. This cop then called the groundskeeper and informed him of the tombstone and locked it in an evidence locker until the groundskeeper could come get it. The groundskeeper called the cop back, stating that the tombstone was leaning on the fence at the cemetery. When the evidence locker was checked, it was not there.

Supposedly the Native American spirits were moving the tombstone constantly because the man's grave offended them. Since the occurrence with the police, the man's grave has been moved to the far side of the cemetery, away from the Native's graves. The groundskeeper even apparently hurried the tombstone to keep the angry Native American spirits from doing anything. Since then, the sightings of the disappearing gravestone have decreased drastically, although some still claim to see it to this day.